



**HOW JOHNNY LEARNS TO READ . . .** Parents of Howard Wood School students got an education on how Johnny gets his reading education at a meeting at the school recently. The reading program was explained to parents, who visited several classrooms. Looking over some of the materials used in reading instruction are Mmes. Shirley Floyd, Kathryn Corey, and Connie White. (Herald Photo)

## Jack Cunningham To Lead Region's Red Cross Campaign

Jack Cunningham of Shell Chemical Corp. will lead the Southern Region's 1958 Expanded Red Cross Fund appeal. Announcement of Cunningham's appointment to the top post for the second consecutive year was made this week by John Lühring, over-all chairman for the Los Angeles Chapter's approaching campaign for expanded Red Cross funds.

At the same time, Lühring reported that the 1958 Expanded Red Cross Fund goal for the entire Los Angeles area has been set at \$3,600,000, "with corresponding expanded community goals to be disclosed at a later date."

Cunningham, who led the local region to an unprecedented fund campaign victory in 1957, confidently predicted a repeat performance for 1958, as he accepted the chairmanship this year.

"Early organization and advanced planning will again provide the impetus to another successful over-the-top Red Cross appeal in this region next spring," he declared. "In this rapidly growing area, Red

Cross must meet the challenge of providing expanded services for expanded needs. This we aim to do by conducting a quick, economical expanded fund campaign pursuing the highest goal since the end of World War II."

Manager of the Synthetic Rubber Sales Division for Shell Chemical Corp. in Torrance, the fund chairman lives at 2915 Via La Selva, Palos Verdes, with his wife, Isabel, and their four children: Stephen,

12; Bonnie, 10; Sheila, 7; and John, 6.

Aside from serving as chairman of the Peninsula Red Cross Branch, Cunningham is also actively affiliated with several youth group organizations and the TIARCI (The Los Angeles Rubber Corp., Inc.).

Cunningham stated that he will soon announce the names of those who will serve as his aides in raising funds throughout Gardena, San Pedro, Wilmington, Lomita, Peninsula,

## Assemblyman Thomas Asks Names Of Prospective Academy Students

Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, representing the 88th District, has announced a competitive examination for young men in the district to become his nominee for admission to the California Maritime Academy in August, 1958. The examination will be held at the Academy in Vallejo at 9 a.m., March 15.

Those who find it inconvenient to take the examination at the Academy may take the College Entrance Board Scholastic Aptitude Test at the nearest examination center on this same date.

Under the provisions of the California Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 81 of 1955, each State Senator and each State Assemblyman representing an even-numbered district may nominate a young man from his district for admission to the Academy in 1958.

Since the number who can be admitted to the Academy each year is limited, this method of selection insures statewide opportunity to gain admission to the Academy and to prepare for positions of leadership in the maritime industry which is so vital to California, Thomas said.

**Three-Year Program**  
The State operated California Maritime Academy is located on Carquinez Strait, Vallejo, at the head of San Francisco Bay. The Academy program provides in three years approximately the same education as the normal four-year college. The graduate receives a B.S. degree either in nautical science or in marine engineering. Well-paid jobs as licensed officers in the U. S. Merchant Marine await the graduates. Those who are physically and otherwise qualified are eligible for commissions in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

To be eligible for admission,

an applicant must, at the time of admission in August, 1958, be a high school graduate, unmarried, 17 years of age but not over 25 (except in the case of veterans who may enter up to the age of 27), and meet certain physical and mental requirements.

**Deadline Nears**  
Application to take the examination should be made to Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, 111 W. 7th St., San Pedro, on or before Feb. 1.

The applicant with highest passing score on the tests will become the nominee of Assemblyman Thomas. Others with passing scores may be admitted if vacancies in the quota for the entering class exist.

Further information may be obtained by writing to: The Dean of Instruction, California Maritime Academy, Vallejo, Calif.

## Noted Pianist Is Conducting Workshops Here

Piano workshop sessions conducted by Leo Podolsky at the studios of Mrs. George R. Stefan, 419 Via Mesa Grande, drew piano teachers and artist students from Torrance and South Bay cities recently. Podolsky is considered one of the most outstanding of contemporary pianists and teachers.

The series is being sponsored by the Los Angeles Conservatory of Music and Arts, and credit toward a degree in music or for teachers registered in the California Plan of the Music Teachers Assn. will be granted by the conservatory.

Podolsky's concert activities have included two world tours with recitals in the largest music centers of Europe; appearances with the Chicago, Detroit, and Los Angeles Symphony Orchestras, and as conductor of summer clinics and workshops.

This is the first time he has conducted sessions in the South Bay area, according to Mrs. Stefan, who is credited with arranging his appearances here.

Concluding sessions will be held April 15 and again April 22. Single-day attendance may be arranged through Mrs. Stefan.



**SOUTH HIGH PRESIDENTS . . .** Presidents elected at South High School Thursday talk over plans for the next semester. Shown are Nancy Coleman, 22631 Kathryn Ave., sophomore president; Mitzi Yoshio, 4020 W. 230th St., retiring student body president; Robert Hole, 365 Calle Mayor, freshman president; Carolyn Acosta, 23632 Anza Ave., Girls League president, and Bill Hargrove, 2507 Narelliff St., new student body president. (Herald Photo)



## SOUTH HIGH PICKS NEW OFFICERS

Bill Hargrove was elected president of the South High School student body at elections held Thursday. He topped a field of five candidates in the voting.

Hargrove, a member of the basketball team, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hargrove, 2509 Narelliff St.

New student body vice president is Nancy Cavanaugh. New commissioners include Sheila Hogan, records; John Mewborn, publicity; Penni Grace, activities; Mitzi Yoshio, pep; James Hawkins, athletics; Karen Oberhansli, finance; Lynn Burman, corresponding secretary, and Robert Henricks, club coordinator.

Nancy Coleman will head the sophomore class, assisted by Tim Whyte, vice president; Barbara Bishop, secretary, and Maren Courtney, treasurer.

Robert Hole was named freshman president, assisted by Pat Roseberry, vice president; Joy Bebbling, secretary, and Sandy French, treasurer.

The Girls League picked Carolyn Acosta, president; Marian Daniels, vice president; Barbara Bishop, secretary; Collette Holst, treasurer, and Karen Griffin, historian.

## Carson Civic Club Installs New Officers

At an action packed session of the Carson Civic Betterment Assn., Ray Wetzey took office as the new president. Installing officer was L. O. Griffiths, president of the Harbor District Chamber of Commerce.

The association gave final approval to the latest plans submitted by the Los Angeles County Highway Dept. for the on and off ramps for north bound traffic of the Harbor Freeway at 220th St. A pedestrian cross-walk is to be constructed from the parking lot of the Junior High School across Figueroa and the Freeway.

The meeting went on record as urgently requesting a hardball diamond at Scott Park, with an eight foot fence around same.

Bn. Chief A. K. Hamlin and Capt. Paul Schneider, Los Angeles County Fire Dept. 404 E. Carson St., were guests and spoke about the importance of cleaning up rubbish as a fire preventative.

Upon assuming office, President Wetzey appointed the chairman of committees for the new year: Zoning, Theo Bredahl; parks and recreation, E. J. Benda; membership, Bill Hodges; streets and lights, J. K. Ibrig; publicity, J. Rome Gateley.

Other business transacted was a request for the extension of Bolsa St. from 216th St. to Carson St. along side of Carson Street School. Also a request that Sepulveda Blvd. be widened at Figueroa to provide an extra lane for left hand turns for east and west bound traffic onto Figueroa St.



**WORKERS HONORED . . .** Southern California Gas Co. workers were honored this week with an AID-United Givers merit award flag in recognition of their 95.1 per cent sign-up to support community and welfare work. Receiving the banner was Division Manager Carl W. Shupp, (second from right). Labor-management committee members shown here include J. L. Lowery, G. W. Milne, L. E. Henry, and W. E. Haskell.

## Haste Urged In Renewing Auto Plates

Persons whose auto registration renewals involve transfer fees or original registrations for cars from out of state are being urged to visit their nearest Department of Motor Vehicle office soon to avoid the long, long lines which are anticipated later this month.

A. J. Veglia, registrar of vehicles for California, said processing of such registrations was more complex than straight renewals and consequently took more time.

"This slows the service for all," he said. Heavier demands for renewals at the end of the registration service can mean long periods of waiting, he indicated.

Registration of vehicles, an annual event, ends here Feb. 4. Persons having their license renewals can have it done at most branches of the Bank of America. Other registrations involving changes, special plates, and new registrations must go to a DMV office. The Torrance office is at 1907 Border Ave.

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## Residents to Nominate '57 Civic Leader

Nominations are now being made for Torrance's "Distinguished Citizen of 1957."

The award presentation will highlight the Chamber of Commerce annual banquet Feb. 25. Last year's winner, Sam Levy, will present the award.

Given each year since 1953 in honor of two departed civic leaders—Grover C. Whyte and Dr. William I. Laughan—the award goes to the one whose achievements have been most significant to the community and to the general welfare of the people of Torrance.

The project is designed to arouse public awareness in civic activity and to illustrate the opportunities available for dedicated community action.

Nominations are open to all fields, and the nomination blanks may be secured at the Torrance HERALD office, and at the Chamber office, 1345 El Prado.

Past winners, in addition to Levy, include Mervin M. Schwab (1953); Paul D. Lorange (1954), and Dean L. Sears (1955).

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### Cub Pack 733

Robert Cyr was presented with a plaque at the last pack meeting for his services as Cub Master of Pack 733 during 1956-57. Cyr resigned because of business reasons.

Barry Alexander received a lion badge and was graduated into the Webelos.

Robert Lagere was presented with a lion badge, and Pete Conley received a bear badge and a gold and silver arrow.

Raymond Alarca received a silver arrow, and Darrel Toth received denner stripes.

### Cub Pack 201-C

Seven Cubs were honored and a new committee announced at the Jan. 17 meeting of Cub Pack 201-C at the Madrona School cafeteria.

Cubs receiving awards included Tommy Evans, Bradley Walker, Glynn Amos, Bob Heller, Ronald Tyler, and Tom Waddell. Eric Jones was advanced to Webelos.

New committee officers include Lester Foster, chairman; Roy Anderson, secretary; Bill Breaker, treasurer, and Mr. Cahaw, Cubmaster.

The Pack made plans to attend the Blue and Gold dinner at the Civic Auditorium next month.

The next committee meeting will be held at the home of Nolan Stuckey, 827 Cranbrook Ave., on Feb. 11.

### Boy Scout Troop 242

Troop 242 of Harbor District, Los Angeles Area Council, sponsored by the Christ the King Lutheran Church, North Torrance, enjoyed a winter outing at Joshua Tree National Monument the week end of Jan. 17 through 19.

Scoutmaster Robert F. Jones led the group and he was aided by Committeemen Ernest Peden and Leonard Weeks.

Scouts participating were Senior Patrol Leader Bill Osborn, Scribe Bill Buell, Sea Wolf Patrol Leader Bobby Jones, Sea Wolves Jim Breitenfeldt, Jim Peden, Bobby Nicholls, Jerry Weeks, Shark Assitant Patrol Leader Adam Geiger, Sharks Al Lipstein and Dave Turcott.

Camp was made at Jumbo Rocks Campground after a motor trip from Torrance, nG Saturday a practice hike for the Silver Moccasin Scout Trail was held.

Church services were held on Sunday after a look at the Salton Sea from the Salton View, elevation 5185 feet. Singing was led by Ernest Peden.

Pasing the Second Class jerking requirement enabled Jerry Weeks to complete his advancement to Second Class rank. Passing Signalling enabled Dave Turcott to advance to First Class rank.

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